

The Hondo Anvil Herald.

NO TOWN EVER GREW
on Trade That Went
Elsewhere.
Are you a town builder?

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HONDO, MEDINA COUNTY, TEXAS, DECEMBER 22, 1939.

WATCH THE ADDRESS
of your paper and let us
have
Your Prompt Renewal

THE ANVIL, EST'D 1886
THE HERALD, 1891
CONSOLIDATED
OCT. 17, 1903.

Here in HONDO
LOCAL AND PERSONAL

A Very Merry Christmas
From us all
To all of you all
Is the sincere wish of us all!
Erwin Lutz was a business caller
at this office Monday.
BULOVA WATCHES—Perfect
Gift—at WINDROW DRUG
STORE.
SEE WILL HUEGELE FOR
HAY; TWO MILES SOUTH OF
HONDO.
FOR SALE—Seed oats free of
Johnson grass. REUS BROS., Hon-
do, Texas. 6tpd.
C. E. Wurzbach sends the Anvil
Herald to Mr. Louis F. Wurzbach of
Bomedina.
D. G. Reitzer was in from Quihi
Monday and paid our office an ap-
preciated call.
When you buy the family a Philco
radio for Christmas you will give a
gift that they will enjoy. 2tc
FOR SALE—40 head sheep, 26
ewe, 9 muttons. See E. E. KOLL-
MAN, Phone 18 or 957F21. 3tc.
FOR SALE—Mesquite wood at
\$1.25 per cord on place. OSCAR
NESTER, D'Hanis, Texas. 4tpd.
Miss Laurinda Rothe spent the
week-end in San Antonio as the
guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Two-
mey.

FOR SALE—One Oliver Triple-
Dee Plow, in good condition.
Apply to ARTHUR NESTER,
D'Hanis. 4tpd.

Trade goes where it is invited; it
stays where it is well treated. Are
you inviting trade to your business
through an ad in this paper?

Mr. H. T. Bardin left Thursday
night for Fort Worth where he will
join Mrs. Bardin and their two little
daughters for the Christmas holi-
days.

FOR SALE: Used furniture; small
gas heater; 50-lb. capacity ice box;
heavy iron bedstead and gas cook
stove. Phone 127-3 rings or apply at
Anvil Herald office.

Ben Balzen was down from the
Farley country Monday and paid
our office a business call. Mr. Bal-
zen's section has good prospects for
an oat crop, if rains will come often
enough.

FOR RENT—Five-room and hall
cottage on highway; remodeled, new
paint inside and outside; new paper;
complete bathroom fixtures with hot-
water heater. Phone 127-3 rings or
apply at Anvil Herald office. tf.

FOR SALE: Three-room and porch
cottage, in good condition, with all
out-houses, wire gates, posts, water
pipes, will be sold off lot at Dunlay,
Texas, for \$300.00. Or will sell above
house with two lots for \$350.00. In-
quire at this office or phone 127-
3 rings. tf.

Wm. A. Weynand and son, Melvin,
were over from the Seco Monday
and paid a business call at the print-
shop. Mr. Weynand was celebrating
his birthday and let us share in his
pleasures of the occasion by moving
his date ahead to '40. Here's hoping
you will have many more birthdays.
Mr. Weynand!

Fire Chief L. A. Mechler, ever
thoughtful of the fire boys who stick
so loyally by him and the organiza-
tion, asks us to say for him that they
hope not to be called upon to fight
a Christmas fire. So they are calling
upon one and all to take extra pre-
cautions with fireworks and Christ-
mas tree lightings so as to minimize
the fire hazard as much as possible.
They have their fighting clothes on
whenever a fire breaks out—but
help them have a gloriously "dry"
Christmas by not making them get
all "wet" in fighting a fire that a
little proper precaution on your part
may prevent. Mr. Mechler's warning
is timely, and deserving of the care-
ful observance of all of us. Preven-
tion is the best security in the case
of fire.

The M. E.'s two willing young
helpers have worked like Trojans
to put this "rag of good cheer"—and
we hope that's just what this paper
is this week—out on time so that
they may claim some small share of
the Christmas cheer that permeates
the atmosphere. We hope that by the
time this reaches our readers they
will have thrown off the anxiety and
worry of their arduous task and have
caught the spirit of the time. Of
course, the M. E. is happiest when
"on his job" and he'll be "about it"
every day. But he doesn't "do all
the work" around here by a whole
lot. So don't crowd him during the
holidays or lose your "good will" if
he has to delay your work a little.
Like the dotting father who had to
chastise his favorite son, "it hurts
him worse than it does the victim".
And so may you all have—a very
MERRY CHRISTMAS!



SILK STOCKINGS A Christmas Story By Gloria Brumby

Naida Trent shivered thru her old
chinchilla coat and thick sweater but
her hand was steady and her face
bright as she recorded the order of
Mrs. Hudson James in her worn lit-
tle notebook. She was a go-getting
little salesperson so she said before
she closed the orderbook, "And how
about one of those loose-powder
cases that does not spill powder all
over one's purse. They make cun-
ning little gifts for Christmas all in
their gay festive boxes."
"I'll take one," said the kindly
Mrs. James. "It is mighty difficult
choosing gifts for others, but its
mighty pleasant too, and I have a sis-
ter who could use one of these new
powder boxes. You may send one
along with the lilac vegetal and the
perfumed soap."
"Thank you, Mrs. James, and you
will receive your order in time for
Christmas. The soap is especially
nice. It is holly-berry red, and
scented with real roses."
"I wonder what makes Christmas
so nice," questioned Mrs. James with
a broad smile that revealed her new
store teeth.
Mrs. Trent thought her customer
very nice also, and felt that maybe
she was nice because she felt that
someday she might have to ring door-
bells herself. Many women were like
that. She answered Mrs. James af-
ter a thoughtful moment.
"I suppose any task becomes thrill-
ing when love hallows it, and that is
what makes the task of Christmas
buying so pleasant. Love even puts
a joy in everyday drudgery," and
tired little Mrs. Trent closed her or-
derbook with a wan sigh of relief for
that was the last order that she
would take that day.
Way down deep in her heart Naida
Trent liked neither selling nor sales-
people, but she felt thankful that in
her more affluent days she had never
hung a "NO PEDDLERS OR
AGENTS" sign at her door. Now
her generosity acted as the proverbial
boomerang, and her orderbook al-
ways had its full quota of orders.
Cheerfully she turned her feet
homewards. A mother's feet are al-
ways turned homewards. As she
walked up the four flights of creak-
ing stairs to her two-bath-and-
kitchenette apartment neighbors
nodded to her and she smiled back.
Some of them even envied her her

job. Mrs. Murphy who had a lazy
husband vowed that when young Pat-
rick was old enough to be left with
his big sister, she herself would test
her sales capacity. To her the door-
to-door business seemed cram-bang
full of opportunities,—for strength-
ening sympathy. "An' it's easy pick-
ins too," she would add as she wiped
young Pat's grimy visage on a corner
of her soiled apron.

A variety of odors greeted Mrs.
Trent, but one she always recognized
—the curried rice that was her
daughter, Cherie's warm welcome to
her on chilly evenings.
"Where the nest is, the very best
is," she said softly to herself as she
turned the handle of her own door.
She felt a real glow in her heart as
she looked around for her children.
A loud, merry scream came from the
clothes-closet as two young forms
sprang out and threw themselves on
their tired, happy little mother.

Sonny removed his mother's gal-
loshes and shoes and put on the red
felt furry slippers that had been a
most appropriate gift from the firm
she represented last Christmas.
"Wonderful feet," he said, caressing
each one separately, "Wonderful
feet to work for Sister and me." Mrs.
Trent drew her boy's face down to
her own and placed a kiss on his
rosy lips, and Cherie came forward
for a like salutation.

For nine years now she had been
working like this for her two child-
ren. Since Cherie had been only seven
and Sonny three she had rung
polished door-bells for six hours
every day and given her three-min-
ute sales talk when anybody would
listen. This being Christmas week
everybody had been friendly to her,
and many of her regular customers
had given her little gifts which she
had secretly stored away to make
something of a festival of Christmas
for the children.

Supper was always a gorgeous
meal, gladdened by good humor and
cheerfulness. The Monday hash and

the Friday salmon cakes equaled the
Sunday roast and the Saturday—
payday—meat pie for their frivolous
accompaniment of light hearts and
merry gags, and Mrs. Trent relaxed
and was no longer a go-getting sales-
person with both eyes on the order,
but a mother, adoring and adored, a
queen in a palace royal waited on by
lovely servants. At supper time ev-
erybody sat on the top of the world
and it was a good place to be. Mrs.
Trent had always been close to her
children and taken time to study
them and they had good times to-
gether.

As she sipped her hot soup, Cherie
noticed that her mother looked even
more worn-out than usual. Seeing
her mother's orderbook on a chair,
she said a little defiantly, "I hate
that old orderbook. It makes you
tired, Mother. I don't like my moth-
er ringing doorbells and getting
prospects to bite or else bite her."

Mrs. Trent laughed across the
washable tablecloth. "Darlings, get
on with your supper," she said al-
most radiantly. "Business is over
when the orderbook closes at the last
call. The Christmas rush of orders
has made me a little more tired to-
day, but that means more 'goodbys'
for the holidays. Just store that up
in your minds."

But Sonny would add in his admir-
ing way. "Gee, you're a great moth-
er, but when I grow up I'd rather be
a banker and get hold of people's
money that way."

Then Mrs. Trent sighed. She felt
that the children should not hate the
orderbook with its well-thumbed
pages and its blue carbon paper at
the end, as after all it meant exist-
ence to them.

"Mom, mom, there's the doorbell,"
and Sonny got up from his chair just
as Cherie was bringing a spicy hot
mince pie to the table. "Gosh, I wish
people would let us have supper
alone together."

"Mother home?" inquired the visi-
tor.

Mrs. Trent got to the door despite
Cherie frantically tugging at her arm
and insisting that she taste the pie.
Then she did something that she has
never done before. She asked the
salesman to enter. The children
looked tremendously indignant at the
intrusion. It was a long time since a
man had crossed their threshold and
to do it at their mother's own hour
was just too bad.

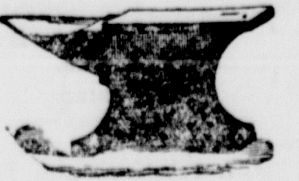
They noticed the man was thin
and wiry with a large smiling mouth.
"A salesman," said Cherie under her
breath noting the sample case that
he carried, and she neither liked nor
respected salesmen. Saleswomen
were different. They did not have
the bad reputation of travelling men.
Together the children drew back-
wards behind the table and looked
sorrowfully at their interrupted
meal. How dared Mother ask him in.
But then they remembered that it
was Christmas week. Of course,
that made a difference.

After the fashion of salesmen the
intruder laid down his hat on a chair
near the door and proceeded to open
his briefcase. As he displayed an al-
luring array of silk hosiery he said
pleasantly, "I represent the Bestsilk
Hosiery Company, Madam, and I
hope that I am not calling at an in-
convenient hour. I thought maybe
that you'd be interested in some
Christmas stockings for yourself and
the young lady."

He was not a pompous person, and
waited meekly while Mrs. Trent ex-
amined the samples. Mrs. Trent
smiled indulgently. "If you had
come earlier you would not have
found me in. You see I'm an agent
myself. But it just happens that I
could use a pair of hose, perhaps a
pair of your company's hose. They
seem very good quality." She
stretched a stocking on her hand and
enjoyed its sheen. Silk stockings
were something from which Mrs.
Trent had become estranged for
ages. She had been born in the plain
black cotton era, but she well re-
membered the ivory artificial silk
hose of her wedding to Garland
Trent, the pearl gray stockings of
her honeymoon, and even the black
silk stockings of the funeral.

Her blue eyes met the salesman's
anxious brown ones and he knew
that a sale had been made. But some-
thing more than order was register-
ed. Romance, sympathy or some-
thing like love was written in.
"You like the opal ones best?" he
asked.

Mrs. Trent hesitated, caressing the
silkeness of the hosiery.
"Yes, I think they are wonderful."
"And you are just as wonderful,"
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SPARKS

Being News, Views and Reviews
by the
Managing Editor



Santa Claus has been gener-
ous to The Anvil Herald! About
90% of the business people of
Hondo constituted themselves
Santa's distributing agents and
the result has been the advertis-
ing lineage you see in this pa-
per. The business people of
Hondo are appreciative of the
public's patronage and take ad-
vantage of The Anvil Herald's
columns at this time to tell the
public so, and in terms that
bring with their messages the
Christmas spirit of peace and
good cheer. May your reaction
to their gesture of appreciation
be a response in kind that will
bring to them a share of that
same Christmas cheer that every
man covets at this glad some
time. The appreciation of your
good will and patronage which
their messages evince is a sure
insurance that they will give
you the very best that is in their
power every day in the year,
that they want to work with
each other and with you in a
harmonious effort to upbuild
our town and community as a
prosperous business center and
an abiding place of happy, con-
tented people. Give them the
patronage they are seeking to
deserve through service and we
will all prosper. Thank you,
one and all—for all have a
hand in making this Christmas
gesture 100% effective—and
MERRY CHRISTMAS!

ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FARMERS

Brownsville, Texas,
December 14, 1939.

Judge Arthur H. Rothe,
Hondo, Texas.
My dear Arthur:
Further replying to your joint let-
ter of October 25, signed by yourself
and other members of the Com-
missioners' Court of Medina County,
calling attention to the need of re-
lief for the drought stricken area in
your section, I am enclosing carbon
copy of a self-explanatory letter I
have received from Secretary Wal-
lace of the Department of Agricul-
ture, with whom I took the matter
up.

If I can be of further assistance in
this, or any other matter, I trust you
will feel free to call on me.

With kind personal regards and
best wishes, I am
Sincerely your friend,
MILTON H. WEST.

December 1, 1939
Honorable Milton H. West,
House of Representatives.

Dear Mr. West:
I have your letter of November 2,
enclosing a letter signed by Judge
Arthur H. Rothe and Precinct Com-
missioners Alf. A. Bader, Robert
Rihn, and Ben Koch, of Medina
County, relative to farming condi-
tions in that area and the need for
assistance.

The Department of Agriculture is
fully aware of the seriousness of
these conditions, and we are doing
everything possible through agencies
under our jurisdiction to alleviate
distress. Some time ago the Farm
Security Administration discontinued
the practice of designating special
emergency counties and, under the
present arrangement, all help possi-
ble within the limitation of funds
available is being extended through
the county offices of the Farm Se-
curity Administration upon the same
basis in all adversely affected locali-
ties.

A joint program has recently been
worked out among the Farm Security
Administration, the Farm Credit Ad-
ministration, the Disaster Loan Cor-
poration, and the Federal Surplus
Commodities Corporation under
which loans, direct relief, and emer-
gency food supplies will be provided
for needy families in the drought
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My CHRISTMAS WISH



CHRISTMAS!
MAY IT BRING YOU
IN FULL MEASURE THE BEST
OF ALL GOOD CHEER—THE GRACIOUS GIFT
OF PEACE!

—FLETCHER DAVIS.

Merry Christmas



Subscribe for this PAPER!

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Jagge were San Antonio visitors Monday.

A fine 9-pound baby boy was born December 18, 1939, at the Medina Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Brieden of Castroville.

Mr. and Mrs. James Duncan and son, Jimmy, are leaving today for Houston where they will spend the week with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Marguerite Murrill spent several days last week in Austin, where she took a state examination in connection with her welfare and relief work.

Mrs. Emma Stone, who has been here two months with the Old Age Assistance Administration work, left Thursday for her home in Crystal City to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Schuehle arrived Wednesday night from Corpus Christi to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents, Sheriff and Mrs. C. J. JSchuehle and Mrs. Ione Crouch.

Misses Betty Jean Merriman, Helen Burgin and Frances Ruth Fly, of Southwestern University, Georgetown, are among the early arrivals of college students home for the holidays.

Mr. C. F. Haass has recently purchased the old Windrow house in the Bless addition from Mr. A. F. Vollmering and is making numerous improvements with the intention of making the place his residence.

Miss Evelyn Knopp was the first of the college students to arrive home for the Christmas holidays, having come from St. Charles, Mo., where she attends Lindenwood College, to be the guest of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Thos. B. Knopp.

Mrs. Lucy Van Fleet, Miss Altha Van Fleet, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burgess and son, Bobby, all of Galveston spent last week-end here as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Van Fleet. Mrs. Burgess will be remembered as Miss Lucille Van Fleet.

Mrs. Alice Bertriever attended a buffet supper Sunday in San Antonio as the guest of Mrs. Richard Brandt, who entertained the group whose tour to the World's Fair in New York she conducted the past summer. Mrs. Bertriever was one of the group.

Marianne is the name of the 6-pound 12-ounce baby daughter born December 20, 1939, to Mr. and Mrs. James Bailey at the Medina Hospital. Mrs. Bailey was formerly Miss Regina Nester and grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Nester and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bailey. Marianne is the latter's first grandchild.

Mr. H. H. Crow, Secretary-Treasurer for the Home Relief Association of Medina County, reports call for assessment No. 100, to be issued December 28, to be the last outstanding call until another death occurs. The beneficiaries will receive \$1,000, and had Mrs. Bohlen been a member from the first organization could have paid only \$100 in death benefit assessments.

The Christmas spirit is catching and the Courthouse folks have contributed individually to deck one of the large cedar trees in the courthouse yard with vari-colored lights. The lights will be turned on for the first time tonight (Thursday) and those responsible for the festive illumination say it will out-shine in other similar decoration in town. Drive by some night during the holidays; and just in case you don't discover it—it's the big tree south of the jail.

Mrs. A. L. Janszen was hostess to the Friday bridge club last week on Friday. Her home was beautifully decorated with a white Christmas motif. Prizes were awarded Mrs. Volney Boon for high score and to Mrs. L. J. Brucks for second high. Refreshments of frozen salad, mahogany cake and coffee were served to the following: Mesdames Homer Hansen, R. R. Corder, Frank X. Vance, Leo F. Laake, A. H. Schweers, L. E. Heath, Volney Boon and L. J. Brucks.

Mrs. Volney Boon was hostess to the Thursday Bridge Club this week on Tuesday, entertaining two tables of players. High score prize went to Mrs. L. J. Brucks and second to Mrs. O. B. Taylor. Refreshments of open face sandwiches of green-tinted cream cheese, candied apple salad, chocolate pecan wafers, coffee and tea were served to the following: Mesdames W. H. Smith, O. H. Miller, L. E. Heath, Thos. B. Knopp, H. J. Meyer, J. M. Finger, L. J. Brucks, O. B. Taylor and Volney Boon. The home was decorated with a seasonal motif.

The Dorcas Class was entertained with its annual Christmas social last Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. L. Janszen, with Mrs. Janszen and Mrs. Origen Crow as hostesses. The living room and dining room had a Christmas air with decorations of cedar branches covered with simulated snow, a gum-drop flower, and a white Christmas tree adorned with vari-colored lights. The group was entertained with parlor games and contests. The hostesses served delicious refreshments of fruit salad, mahogany cake and coffee. The personnel included Mesdames I. V. Garrison, James Duncan, Berta McCall, Horace Crow, E. E. Kollman, Jerry Smith, Will Baker, F. D. Garrison, H. Z. Windrow, Jack Fusselman Jr., J. L. Werst Jr., E. J. Johnson, Origen Crow and A. L. Janszen.

Football Boys Honored With Banquet and Dance

From The Owl.

The annual banquet, given by the Pep Squad girls in honor of the football boys, was held Saturday night in the Hondo High School. The receiving line was stationed on the stage. The guests mounted the steps and passed out into the hall into a lounge, where they were seated to listen to the radio or engage in conversation.

At 7:30 the guests were led to the study hall by the receiving line. The hall was beautifully decorated with blue and white pennants on the walls made with strips of crepe paper. At the west end a miniature football field was erected with bleachers, players and all. Even the goal posts were decorated with blue, white, orange and black paper. At the east end a small table was placed, having upon it a stuffed owl. The tables were in an "H" shape. They were decorated with cedar and white candles. In the middle of the "H" was a large football made of white chrysanthemums mounted on green cedar.

The menu for the occasion was as follows:

Fruit Cocktail
Creamed Turkey in Patty Shells
Candied Sweet Potatoes Dressing
Congealed Vegetable Salad
Cranberries Buttered Hot Rolls
Salted Nuts Mints
Black Walnut Ice Cream
Cakes

During the course of the banquet the following program was presented:

Toastmistress—Frances Ellen Woolls.
Invocation—Mr. M. L. McDowell.
Welcome—Frances E. Woolls.
Vocal Solo, "Moonlight Serenade"—Leslie Earl Holloway.
Introduction of School Board and Faculty—Mr. J. G. Barry.
Violin Solo, "Leibesfreud" by Kreisler—Margaret Ann Knopp.
Introduction of team—Mr. Tom Bridges.
Skit—Mary Ann Noonan and

We appreciate your business and thank every one for the business given us during the year passed and wish you a

MERRY CHRISTMAS
And A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The Aztec Cafe

GREETINGS

From the warmth in our hearts to the warmth in your homes, we wish you one big joyous Christmas.

Herman Weynand

HAPPY YULETIDE

May the joy this day linger in your hearts and homes throughout the whole New Year.

CITIZEN GARAGE

Chas. W. Schlentz

A Small Ad



But the sentiment we are trying to express in it is a large quantity, for we wish every one of our hundreds of customer - friends a very merry Christmas.

Alamo Lumber Co.

SCHUEHLE & SAATHOFF

Plaza Bar & Cafe

W. H. CASE

Charles Finger.

Presentation of Football Captain of 1940—Mr. Tom Bridges.

Song, "For Hondo's Honor and Glory".

Medley of College Songs—Ruth McWilliams.

Accompanists: Mrs. C. D. Sadler and Ruth McWilliams.

Following the banquet the crowd gathered in the ballroom of the Hondo Hotel for the dance.

The ballroom was decorated with autumn leaves hanging from the chandelier and assembled around the windows. Blue and white balloons were streaming from the ceiling. The room was lighted by blue lights. Buddy Hancock and his orchestra furnished the music for the dance.

CARD OF THANKS.

It is with deepest gratitude we hereby make public acknowledgment of our thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness to us in our time of sorrow, the expressions of sympathy, and the floral offerings at the funeral of our beloved son and brother, the late Clyde Hollaway.

Gratefully yours in sorrow,
MRS. J. W. HOLLOWAY
and Family.

MAY THE DAY BE MERRY

Health, Happiness and the Good Will of man is our wish for you this Christmas season.

Beal's Barber Shop

HEARTY

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS to all our past and future customers and friends.

O. S. T. Service Station and Shop

B. L. Robinson—L. B. Tschirhart

OUR BEST WISHES

May this Christmas be your merriest and the New Year the happiest you have ever known.

Cameron's Machine Shop

JOY TO YOU

JOY TO YOU



MAY PROSPERITY SMILE UPON YOU DURING THE COMING YEAR, AND MAY THIS CHRISTMAS BE ONE OF GREAT JOY AND HAPPINESS.

Carie's Confectionery

MAY YOU HAVE

THIS HAPPY SEASON

Christmas Cheer

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ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, December 24: Sunday school at 9:15 and German services at 10:30. We urgently request the presence of all Luther Leaguers in Sunday school to assist in the singing of Christmas carols.

Sunday evening at 7:30: Children's Christmas program.

Monday, December 25: English Christmas services with Communion. Confession at 10:00 and services at 10:15. Announcements are requested in time.

PAUL CZERKUS,
Pastor.

For apartments and rooms, furnished or unfurnished; also cottages, phone 127-3 rings or apply at Anvil Herald office.

Let us be your job PRINTER!

TO OUR FRIENDS

The warmth of friendships is once again renewed in the greetings we're happy to send . . .

Merry Christmas!

Barnes' Barber Shop

NOEL



"THE HERALD"

ANGELS SING . . .

—And again the Christmas holiday is here. With sincere good wishes for your happiness, we extend to you our heartfelt greetings!

W. T. CROW

GENERAL INSURANCE

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BAPTIST CHURCH SERVICES.

Sunday School at 9:45.

Preaching Service at 11:00. Theme: "Christ Preeminent". Special Music by the Hondo High Sextette and Miss Evelyn Knopp.

Training Service at 6:00.

Special Christmas Program at 7:00. The Christmas Story will be presented by Scripture, Recitations, and Songs.

A special invitation is extended to all who can attend these services. We will be so glad to have you come. I. V. GARRISON, Pastor.

If your name isn't among the personal items of this paper DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT!

AND COMPLIMENTS OF

THE

SEASON

FROM

JOHN A. HORGER

BOON'S STORE

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART
COMES OUR CHRISTMAS
GREETING
TO YOU AND ALL OUR
FRIENDS!

BOON'S STORE

CHRISTMAS JOY

B. A. SCHWEERS
DISTRIBUTOR OF PEARL
BEER

M. F. SCHWEERS
YOUR GULF AND GOODYEAR
FRIEND

Harry E. Filleman
SINCLAIR SERVICE STATION

Heyen's Coffee Shop
BILL HEYEN

Merry Christmas AND Happy New Year
San Antonio Implement Co.
W. P. COLEMAN, JR., Owner
347 E. Commerce Street

W. H. CASE

Plaza Bar & Cafe
SCHUEHLE & SAATHOFF



PERSONAL APPEARANCE

What they want for Christmas: PARKER HENRY MEYER, Butch Parker's friend, wants two presents, one from Santa Claus and one for his first birthday anniversary Dec. 18th. WILL JAMES wants a bulldog 'cause he knows he can't walk to the highway without a dog. LUCILLE NEWTON wants to be able to walk from town to her home along the highway without tourists stopping to ask her for a ride. FRANCES ANN BOEHLE, the Ernest Boehle's daughter for Christmas, informed Santa Claus personally—and wasn't a bit afraid to make it a long list. ALPH STIEGLER would like a hammer that'll miss the finger and hit the nail on the head. We notice lots of itinerants (putting it mildly for Christmas) in town and perhaps the fascination is the enormous array of outdoor illuminations which makes the Christmas feeling more catching. Anyway, there are some beautiful effects in both the residence and business districts and our votes go to the spotlighted tree in the city water park. The Dr. H. J. Meyer shrubbery. The R. J. Meyer's inviting doorway. And KELLY's atop the San Antonio Public Service Company office. The inmates of the county jail—if any—will have the biggest Christmas tree in town right outside their two-story window.

What We'd Like for Christmas: dimples and a curl right in the middle of the forehead like the JACK RUSSELMAN JR.'s little girl. The sweet face of MRS. JAKE SAATHOFF. The soothing telephone voice of FRANCES WEIMERS. MRS. WESLEY HUESER's bright hair. And the knack for packing of FERD LOUIS ROTHE who can go back to school after a week-end visit laden with a bar of soap and an old sock with which to polish his shoes.

THEODORE WIEMERS IN HOSPITAL WITH BURNS

Mr. Theodore G. Wiemers was given a blood transfusion at the Medina Hospital Tuesday, December 19th, to strengthen his condition after two weeks of most severe suffering from burns on the face and body. He is reported doing fairly well at this time. The burns were sustained on December 4th about one o'clock in the afternoon at his farm home when in trying to start a tractor, a spark ignited his clothes on which there had accidentally sprayed some gasoline. Mr. Wiemers rolled in the dirt of his field until the flames were extinguished, but not before his shirt was almost completely burned off, and then ran to the home of his brother, Mr. John Wiemers, nearby. He was brought to town at once for medical attention and for two weeks has been in severe pain at the M. F. Schweers home here. His weakened condition warranted the move to the hospital where it is hoped his recovery will be more rapid. His chest, back, arm and face on the right side were badly burned as well as his left hand.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO SCOUTS

The Boy Scouts of the Alamo Area Council received from President Franklin D. Roosevelt this morning a Christmas message, it was announced. Roderick McAlpin, president of the Council. His greetings also went to the nation's 1,307,776 Scouts, Cubs and their leaders follows:

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
TO THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA:

For three decades of American life the Boy Scouts have been an active force for character development and citizenship training. Millions of boys have through Scouting found opportunity for building and practicing homely virtues of loyalty, friendliness, and cheerfulness. To the million Boy Scouts and to the other millions who have been Boy Scouts I send Christmas greetings, congratulations on past accomplishments, and best wishes for even greater success in the future.

MEXICAN KILLED IN AUTO COLLISION

Vicente Garza, 67, was fatally injured, and his wife and baby were painfully cut and bruised about 6:30 Saturday afternoon, December 16, when the light truck in which they were riding and a Ford V-8 driven by W. E. Edwards of Pipe Creek, collided at the intersection of the Vandenberg road with the Hondo-Quilich road. Louis J. Saathoff, on whose ranch the family lived, was driving the truck when the accident occurred. The injured man was brought to Medina Hospital where he died shortly after, about 7 P. M. Justice of the Peace H. V. Haass held an inquest at 9 o'clock the following morning, at the Louis J. Saathoff ranch, and prepared his report for the grand jury which convenes in January. Edwards, it was reported, is a musician who was on his way to Sabinal to play for a dance when the accident occurred.

Even

"If I'd known you were so extravagant I would never have married you."

"If I hadn't been, father would have let you."—Pettinence.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Woman's Society of Christian Service held their annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Ashbel Gilliam Tuesday afternoon. Mesdames W. S. Highsmith, Amos Harlee, E. W. Lacy and Miss Lora King were co-hostesses.

The beautiful new home was profusely decorated with Christmas decorations, poinsettias and evergreens, and a large brilliantly lighted Christmas tree in the corner of the living room made everyone feel indeed the Christmas spirit.

On entering the door, gaily wrapped Christmas packages were deposited at an improvised postoffice window with Mrs. Amos Harlee acting as postmistress.

After the arrival of all the guests, slips of paper with a name of a guest present on each paper, were passed around and they were asked to select a gift from a catalogue for the one whose name they held and tell why they selected such a gift. There was much merriment over the many ludicrous gifts that were chosen.

After this, tallies were given out and the game of Reindeer was played until a late hour. At this time the postoffice was opened and mail called for, everyone receiving a gift package, which was opened when received and all enjoyed the Christmas thrill.

The hostesses then served refreshments consisting of chicken salad, cheese sandwiches, nut cake, tea and mints.

There were twenty guests present to enjoy this the most enjoyable party of the season.

—Contributed.

NEW AUTO REGISTRATIONS

Dec. 21, Fritz Swift, Devine, Ford station wagon.

Dec. 21, Fritz Swift, Devine, Ford tudor.

Dec. 18, R. J. Wanjura, Lytle, Ford 4-door.

Dec. 19, Joe E. LaMon, LaCoste, Willys sedan.

Dec. 20, Marshall Montgomery, Hondo, Ford tudor.

Dec. 18, C. A. Van Fleet, Hondo, Chevrolet town sedan.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Dec. 16, Fred Fleming (col.) and Mrs. Almeda Bell (col.).

Dec. 17, George Marshall (col.) and Hattie Mae March (col.).

Dec. 20, Jerman Salazar and Guadalupe Cadena.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

Continued close friendship and good cheer is the wish we cherish for you during this happy holiday season.

Laake's Barber Shop

Mueller & Laake

CHEERY GREETINGS

To you send cheery holiday greetings and express the hope that our paths will meet often in 1940.

W. J. NESTER

JOYFUL GREETINGS

We welcome the opportunity to once more greet you with sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas

Hondo Beauty Shop

Mrs. Clara Fuos Miss Lola Ryle

SEASON'S GREETINGS

The simple phrase—"Merry Christmas"—can best express our wish for each of you throughout this happy holiday season.

RICHTER HOTEL



FROM

Richard Weber

PROPRIETOR

HIGHWAY GARAGE

MAGNOLIA GAS AND OILS

Washing and Greasing

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS!

Notice is hereby given that I will be at the following named places on dates given below for the purpose of collecting 1939 taxes, and assessing for the year 1940.

Medina Lake, January 2, 9 A. M. to 11 A. M.

Cliff, January 2, 1 P. M. to 3 P. M.

Rio Medina, January 3, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

LaCoste, January 4, 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

LaCoste, January 5, 8 A. M. to 12 M.

Dunlay, January 5, 2 P. M. to 4 P. M.

Castroville, January 8th, 9th and 10th, 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Biry, January 11, 9 A. M. to 11 A. M.

Coal Mine, January 11, 1 P. M. to 3 P. M.

Natalia, January 12, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

Devine, January 15th, 16th and 17th, 9 A. M. to 4 P. M.

D'Hanis, January 18, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Respectfully,

L. E. HEATH,
Assessor and Collector
of Texas, Medina County.

Acclimated

Hush, saddened June bride,
Don't you cry,

He may like your cooking
By and by.

—Grit.

We Wish You
One and All, a
MERRY CHRISTMAS
and a
HAPPY NEW YEAR

Medina Hospital

Mrs. Alice Bertriever

Mrs. Mary Cook

JOYFUL GREETINGS

Best wishes for a brighter holiday season and a happier year in 1940 to our friends and customers.

MASK & BRUCKS

BEST WISHES

At this friendliest season of the year, we extend sincere wishes for a happy holiday season to everyone.

Garcia's Shoe Shop

Melecio Garcia

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Try as we may to recite some fancy lingo, it's no use... but to one and all, we wish you a Merry Christmas.

JOE MEYER

MERRY CHRISTMAS

The passing years serve only to increase our appreciation for your patronage and the sincerity of our greetings to you—Merry Christmas.

C. U. BARRIENTES

A HAPPY CHRISTMAS

In hope that we may carry on our efforts for greater prosperity and continued future happiness, we sincerely wish you a very Merry Christmas.

Mumme's Hatchery

Clarence Mumme



TO ALL

At this season of the year Santa broadcasts our thanks to patrons and friends and extends our best wishes.

BREITEN'S GARAGE

ALFRED BREITEN

HAS POEMS PUBLISHED

Mrs. J. G. Newton of Hondo, whose poetry has appeared at intervals in this paper, has received wider recognition and has had two poems accepted for publication in the 1939 edition of THE YEARBOOK OF MODERN POETRY, published by the Avon House of New York City. Mrs. Newton's poems were among five per cent chosen of many thousands of poems sent in to the publishers. The Yearbook of Modern Poetry is a collection of poems by present-day writers and Mrs. Newton's two beautiful poems deserve a place in such a collection where they will find a wide and appreciative audience. The books came off the press just in time for Mrs. Newton to receive copies as valued Christmas gifts for her children.

Let the Hondo Land Co. sell your land for you.

NOEL GREETINGS

When the flurry of greetings snow you under, there's a little wish we would like to add:

May This Be the Happiest
You Ever Had!

EARL WATSON

OUR SINCERE THANKS

To add to your holiday spirit of joy and good cheer, we extend our fondest wishes for the grandest, merriest Christmas you've ever had.

FAVORITE CAFE

Harry Mueller, Owner

CHRISTMAS JOY

World's of cheer and happiness in abundance... that's the Christmas wish we make for every one of you.

Huesser Package Store

Eugen Huesser

ALL GOOD WISHES

May joy and happiness enfold your household during the joyous Christmas Season and throughout the New Year.

ALLEN TILLOTSON

BEST WISHES



MAY THE TRUE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS FILL YOUR HOME AND LINGER THROUGH THE FULL COMING YEAR!

Gaines-Kollman Chevrolet Co.

Merry Christmas

Christmas Cheer



TO ONE AND ALL

An appreciation of your patronage, a pledge to continue to give you our very best service—a host of good wishes for a happy Yuletide.

Le Ann Wave Shoppe

HIS NATAL STAR

Gaily the Christmas season comes again
With crimson tinsel, hung in gay festoons
From bough to bough, upon a cedar tree;
And children singing olden, merry tunes
Tell of the day which celebrates His birth.
Brightly each cottage-candle gleams afar
Across the dazzling fields of drifted snow
To welcome Winter's gift—His Natal Star.

—KAY McCULLOUGH.

Subscribe for this paper.



TO ALL

OUR MANY

FRIENDS

Case Beauty Parlor

MRS. W. H. CASE

GINGER AND MARGARET



Merry Christmas to everybody—

And so we won't miss any one will say it again—

"GREETINGS

AND A MERRY

CHRISTMAS!"

HOLLMIG'S DRESS SHOP



We wish to thank our friends for their patronage—and wish for each and everyone a Merry Christmas and a more Prosperous New Year.

Pioneer Oil Sales Co.

SPROTT & CAGLE

Merry Christmas AND Happy New Year FERD. STAFFEL

"THE FEED AND SEED MAN" MANUFACTURER OF POULTRY FEEDS San Antonio, Texas—321 E. Commerce Street

GOOD CHEER

A HAPPY, JOYOUS SEASON
Please accept this expression of our appreciation, together with our best wishes for a Joyous Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

J. G. MECHLER
Your Watkins Dealer



GREETINGS!

We hope the pleasure we have had in serving you has been mutual, and take this opportunity to thank you and to extend our hearty greetings for your happiness.

Preston C. Gaines
SERVICE STATION



From

H. W. KOLLMAN

To many friends and good customers who have patronized us in the past year, we extend our most sincere wishes for a very Merry Christmas. In the prospect of your future friendship we say...

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE

Western Auto Associate Store



May this Christmas find you surrounded by old friends and true; may their companionship be as warm as our wish for your happiness during the coming year.

Medina County Abstract Co.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

GOLD SEAL CONGOLEUM RUGS. LEINWEBER'S.
Get your building material from the HONDO LUMBER CO.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

Morning Worship at 10:00. Christmas sermon, subject "Everlasting Childhood". Christmas tree program Friday evening, December 22nd. No service Sunday evening. W. S. HIGHSMITH, Pastor.

You Help build Your town when You patronize its advertisers; Buy from this paper's advertisers. All kinds of fountain drinks at ROTHE'S CONFECTIONERY. For Hemstitching see Mrs. R. W. Speece, at residence opposite north-west corner of courthouse.

HOUSE MOVING—NONE TOO SMALL OR TOO LARGE. SEE V. W. HAYDEN, 2 MILES NORTH OF LITTLE ON LITTLE-LA COSTE ROAD, OR OFIS SHADDEN, 1 MILE WEST OF LA COSTE. 4tpd.

Mrs. Bessie Mae Perry left last week for her home in Davenport, Iowa, after a week's visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mask. This was her first visit to Hondo in four years and was the occasion of much pleasure to her family here.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Batot motored down to Houston Saturday to spend the week-end with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Batot, and baby, Barbara Ann. They also enjoyed a visit with Mrs. Sadie Hutzler, who is a guest in the home of the Batots in Houston.

LET ME SERVICE YOUR CAR OR TRUCK WITH GULF PRODUCTS FRANK A. GRAFF EAST SIDE GULF STATION Hondo

HARRY E. FILLEMAN VINCLAD Phone 206 for Prompt and Efficient Service

QUIHI NOTES

Just the Church Calendar for the Holidays:

December 24, Service at New Fountain, Confessional and Lord's Supper at 10 A. M. Final rehearsal for Sunday school at 2 P. M. Christmas program at 7:15 P. M.
December 25, Christmas service, Quihi, at 10:30; Confessional at 10:15; Lord's Supper.
December 31, German service, Quihi, at 10:30; Sunday school and Bible class at 9:30 A. M. Sylvester service at 7:15 P. M.

January 1, German service at 10:30 A. M. Annual report. Luther League social at 7:30 P. M.
January 2, Annual meeting of Quihi Church at 2 P. M. Your presence is urgently desired. A hearty invitation to you for all the services and other arrangements.

God's richest blessings, we ask for the Christmas season and the New Year for our whole community, and, to be sure, for the ever busy and wide-awake crew of the A-H.

MURPHY H. D. CLUB

The Murphy Home Demonstration Club met at the home of Mrs. Geo. R. Bomhalk, December 5th, with six members present.

The meeting was called to order by the president at 2 P. M. Plans were made for a Christmas party.

After the meeting adjourned the members made Christmas candy. A lunch was served and the candy that was made was sampled by all present.

—Reporter.

Read your home paper NOW!

Merry Christmas Everyone!

... AND WE DO MEAN EVERYONE OF OUR FAITHFUL FRIENDS WHO, DURING THE PAST FORTY YEARS, HAVE PATRONIZED US SO REGULARLY. WE SINCERELY HOPE THAT WE HAVE SERVED YOU WELL, AND THAT IN THE FUTURE OUR FRIENDSHIPS WILL INCREASE AND OUR HOSPITALITY GROW.

Windrow Drug Store

Merry Christmas to All



Sincere Best Wishes

TO ALL OF OUR MANY FRIENDS

ON THIS HAPPIEST OF DAYS...

We want you to know that your patronage has been appreciated and in wishing you a happy, joyous Christmas we desire to express our thanks.

CHAPMAN MILL & GRAIN COMPANY

May Every Good Wish Come True

May Christmas bring you joy and may each day of the year add to your enjoyment of life! And may we continue to serve you in the future as we have in the short time we have been in business.

GRELL & MOEHRING

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE MARKET



WISHING YOU A HOLIDAY SEASON FULL OF GOOD HEALTH, GOOD CHEER, AND GOOD FORTUNE... AND FRIENDLY COMPANIONSHIP!

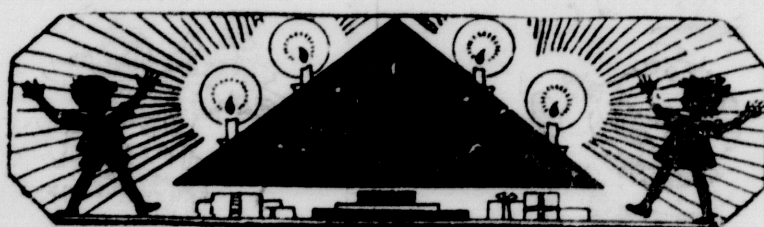
Our business dealings with the community have been of the most gratifying nature; therefore, in this season of gladness, we wish to extend our appreciation.

OASIS CAFE

A. C. CLEMENTS



OUR WARMEST GREETINGS AT CHRISTMAS!



GOOD CHEER

WE OFFER OUR VERY BEST WISHES FOR A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR, RICH IN CONTENTMENT AND PLEASURE.

N. C. JOHNSON

SINCLARIZE TO ECONOMIZE

ARMSTRONG'S LINOLEUM. LEINWEBER'S.

All kinds of drinks, at CARLE'S CONFECTIONERY.

For paint that stays put see the HONDO LUMBER CO.

Fruits and candies of all kinds, at CARLE'S CONFECTIONERY.

Flowers for all occasions. Order from ROTHE'S CONFECTIONERY.

DR. TAYLOR, DENTIST, OFFICE AT RESIDENCE (1 block E. of courthouse). PHONE 39.

Cooper's Cattle Dip, testing fluid and tablets. Cutler Blackerol Vaccine—Large supply at WINDROW DRUG STORE.

Mr. Bill Wood flew from Riverside, California, to San Antonio Saturday to spend the week-end with Mrs. Wood. He returned by plane Sunday, the trip taking a little over seven hours.

Robert Riff was a business caller at this office Saturday. Mr. Riff says his immediate section produced considerable feed despite the drought, but more rain will be welcome for the winter oats and the ranges.

Emil Barth was a caller at this office Monday and moved the date forward to '40 on the paper for his mother, Mrs. August Barth. Mrs. Barth has been a reader of this paper since before the present owner became owner of the Herald end of it.

Geo. H. Kimmey has been made senior clerk at the Relief Commodity House, under Mrs. Nora Bendele, who was recently made manager. The commodity house and the general Relief Offices are now housed under the same roof, it having been moved into the room formerly occupied by the shoe shop.

Henry Reitzer was a business caller at this office Saturday and renewed for his favorite papers—The Anvil Herald, The Freie Presse and Farming. That is "three of a kind" that every reader of the German language in Medina County should "draw to"—if you get what it means!

Hondo has more Christmas decorations, and they the most dazzlingly beautiful in their variety and color, than ever before displayed here. Credit for this is largely due to Mrs. Hoy of the Hondo Hotel. It was Mrs. Hoy who proposed the plan to the Chamber of Commerce and graciously accepted the Chairmanship of the committee appointed to foster the plan. She was ably assisted by two willing workers on the committee, N. C. Johnson and Horace Crow. It is a safe assertion that no tourist passing on Highway 90, after the lights were turned on in the Christmas tree in the railroad park, failed to grasp and carry away with him some of the spirit of Christmas that so abundantly pervades Hondo. Merry Christmas to you and your helpers, Mrs. Hoy!

Christmas Cheer

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR



We appreciate the privilege of serving you during the year, and look forward to serving you during the coming year.

Monkhouse & Starnes



Even as the Spirit of Good Will is increased at Christmas Time so may our associations grow in mutual accord and confidence.

Frank A. Graff

EAST SIDE GULF STATION

THE RAYE WISHES ITS PATRONS A



FRIDAY - SATURDAY

December 22nd-23rd.

ROY ROGERS GEORGE "GABBY" HAYES

"Wall Street Cowboy"

East meets West with a crash when it's roundup time on Broadway.

Also New Episode of "Dick Tracy's G-Men"

And a Short Subject "ICEBERG"

SUNDAY - MONDAY

December 24th-25th.

Wallace Beery Chester Morris

Virginia Gray

"Thunder Afloat"

Wooden ships and iron men... men who dared death for the country they loved.

"CAPTAIN SPANKY'S SHOW BOAT"

TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY

December 26th-27th-28th.

FRANCHOT TONE ANN SOTHERN

"Fast and Furious"

All he knew about sleuthing he'd read in books... so this book-peddler found himself turning detective to save his life.

Also a Short Subject "FAILURE AT FIFTY"

And a Paramount News Reel

SHOW NOW STARTS AT 7:30 P. M.

THE RAYE

NEW FOUNTAIN W. M. S.

Thirteen members and four guests enjoyed the meeting of the New Fountain Missionary Society this week at the home of George Wiemers. The leaders, Muennink, gave the Ser. were reading, I John 4:9-14, and I Cor. 8:23, and Mrs. Hy. C. Muennink played softly on the harp. Mrs. Robert Riff gave the meditation.

The topic for the day was "Our Available Resources for Meeting the New Day" and was ably discussed by Mrs. Frank Muennink, Mrs. Fritz Bohmfalk, Mrs. Clinton Wiemers, Mrs. C. F. Schweers, and Mrs. Wheeler.

The latter also gave a report on the Mission and Bible studies, with Mrs. Fritz Bohmfalk reported on "Christmas Social Relations". Mrs. George Wiemers reported on supplies and Mrs. Hy. Muennink on finances. The hostess served a delicious plate lunch at the end of the meeting.

RING PHONE 134

HERMAN WEYNAND

FOR RADIO OR ANY OTHER ELECTRICAL SERVICE. IF NOT PRESENT TO ANSWER LEAVE YOUR PHONE NUMBER WITH ATTENDANT AND I WILL GIVE IT PROMPT ATTENTION ON MY RETURN.

QUICK RELIEF FROM Symptoms of Distress Arising from STOMACH ULCERS DUE TO EXCESS ACID Free Book Tells of Home Treatment that Must Help or It Will Cost You Nothing Over one million bottles of the WILLARD TREATMENT have been sold for relief of symptoms of distress arising from Stomach and Duodenal Ulcers due to Excess Acid—Poor Digestion, Sour or Upset Stomach, Gasiness, Heartburn, Sleeplessness, etc. due to Excess Acid. Sold on 15 days trial due to "Willard's Message" which fully explains this treatment—free—at

WINDROW DRUG STORE

Lowest Long Distance Rates apply the DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS and ALL CHRISTMAS DAY

This year there's no need to wait until 7 p.m. Christmas Eve to get the lowest rates on Christmas telephone calls. The low night and Sunday long distance rates are in effect from 7 p.m. Saturday, December 23, until 4:30 a.m. Tuesday, December 26. These rates apply on calls to points in the United States, Canada, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico.

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EXCLUSIVE AGENCY

Maintains Special Office with Friendly Service

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Local & Personal

For the famous no-sag gate see the HONDO LUMBER CO.

FOR SALE—Fresh Jersey milk cows, Springer cows, Springer heifers, Jersey male for service. C. F. HAASS, Hondo.

Please remember, we can go anywhere when our services are desired—day or night. Just ring Phone 75, and we will attend to everything.—JNO. A. HORGER, Funeral Director

LAAKE BARBER SHOP FOR NEAT HAIRCUTS, COOL SHAVES, AND SHAMPOOS THAT ARE DIFFERENT (BECAUSE SOFT WATER IS USED) AT NO EXTRA COST.

H. E. HAASS, Attorney-at-Law, Surveyor's Office, Courthouse, Hondo, Texas. All legal matters carefully attended to, in all courts of Texas. Manager Medina County Abstract Company.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Davis and two sons, F. M. Jr. and Rothe, arrived Monday from their home in Paris for a holiday visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Rothe and Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lee West Jr. and little daughter, Beth, left Thursday night to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bradford, in Temple and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. West Sr. in Dallas.

Mr. E. E. Kollman has purchased the old Jim Miller place and has almost completed the tearing down of the two-story frame house. Mr. Kollman says he plans to build a new house on the site, whether it is to be his own residence or rent house he hasn't fully decided. The premises is one of the most beautiful in Hondo, having a group of large oak trees setting off its location near the high school.

The South Texas Department of the San Antonio Public Service Company is observing its annual Christmas party tonight (Thursday) with a banquet at the Kit Kat Club in San Antonio. Those from the local office expecting to attend are Mr. W. F. Gaudin, Miss Ina King, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Crow, Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Leinweber Jr., Edgar Mechler, A. T. Dale, Leroy Crow, Howard Hueser, C. E. Watson, Tomas Garcia, Jose Garcia and Frank Dominguez.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Schweers and little daughter, Constance, returned Friday from Houston where they spent two weeks while Mr. Schweers attended the Gulf Dealers Training School. They enjoyed their visit very much and also the sightseeing excursions to the San Jacinto battle grounds and the ship channel. At the latter place they saw several big ships from foreign countries docked there because of the war.

At Christmas

We Offer Our Sincere Best Wishes for You!

May all the joy that it is possible for this season to bestow upon you be yours at this gladtime!

And may you enjoy prosperity in the coming year!

Phone 222

Blue Bonnet Cleaners

F. A. HEYEN

A Joyous and Merry Christmas!

A Happy Prosperous New Year!

DURING THIS MOST HAPPY OF SEASONS! THAT'S OUR WISH FOR YOU AND YOURS

Hondo Lumber Co.

HOME-OWNED

RESPONSE TO ANNUAL RED CROSS ROLL CALL

Rev. W. S. Highsmith, Medina County chairman of the American National Red Cross, reports a generous response to the annual roll call, to enroll members for 1940. Rev. Highsmith and Mr. Frank X. Vance composed a committee to solicit enrollment in the business district of Hondo, and membership lists were kept in several local business houses, and the following new members were secured:

O. A. Fly, E. J. Leinweber, Hy. Stiegler, J. Zuberbuehler, W. S. Highsmith, E. M. Nester, W. J. Nester, Tom Johnson, Theresa Conrad, W. H. Smith, F. X. Vance, W. T. Crow, H. Moehring, G. W. Collier, Ben Oefinger, H. Koch, C. Metzger, Hy. Merriman, Lucille Woods, Marie Richter, J. G. Barry, F. H. Hollmig, L. B. Grell, Paul Metzger, Bill Heyen, A. R. Mueller, A. Tillotson, Pete Morales, Mrs. E. W. Lacy, R. Lawrence Brucks, W. F. Gaudin, Ina King, Horace Crow, Ed. Mechler, H. W. Kollman, Chester Saathoff, J. R. Chancey, Jos. Palle, E. Huesser, Mrs. Callie Bendele, and Alvin Britsch.

O. B. Taylor, R. L. Kollman, Bruno Schweers, Geo. Schweers, O. T. Balzen, L. Holloway, Ysabel Galvan, Nora Bendele, Abe Dominguez, Henry Windrow, Mrs. W. S. Highsmith, Ray Jennings, Chas. Finger, W. A. Bendele, Alfred Schweers, J. H. Burgin, T. B. Knopp, J. M. Finger, D. H. Fly, H. H. Crow, Isabel Garber, Margaret Murrill, L. E. Kollman Jr., T. C. Barnes, W. B. Meyer, Clyde Holloway, Barnitz Carle, R. V. Hoy, F. A. Heyen, Elsie Warden, E. C. Jones, Fletcher Davis, E. H. Ney, Felix Batot, R. J. Reily, W. L. Windrow, Earl Starnes, Roy Bohlen, R. R. Corder and Herman Finger.

J. R. Duncan, A. B. Brucks, Mag. Cameron, L. E. Heath, S. A. Jungman, Hy. Schulte Jr., C. F. Schweers, Clara Bendele, H. E. Haass, M. F. Schweers, R. W. Gaines, C. R. Gaines, Mrs. F. X. Vance, Alfred Breiten, Frank A. Graff, Theo. Cagle, Harry E. Filleman, Bud Black, Jo Lebold Wood, O. H. Miller, N. C. Johnson, C. J. Schuehle, Harry Mueller, Milton A. Rath, R. M. Chapman, Earl Watson, Amanda Haass, Chas. Balzen, and Quibi Gun Club

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Christmas Greetings

OH, merry piping time of Christmas! Never let us permit thee to degenerate into distant courtesies and formal salutations. But let us shake our friends and familiars by the hand, as our fathers and their fathers did. Let them all come around us, and let us count how many the year has added to our circle. Let us enjoy the present and laugh at the past. Let us tell old stories and invent new ones. . . . Let us not meet to abuse the world, but to make it better by our individual example. Let us be patriots, but not men of party. Let us look of the time—cheerful and generous—and endeavor to make others as cheerful and generous as ourselves.—Charles Lamb.

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LA COSTE LEDGERETS

The LaCoste Ledger.

Mrs. Emil S. Christilles and son of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bendele and daughters of Biry and Miss Marie Christilles of LaCoste visited in the Emil Bendele home at Devine Sunday.

Mrs. Louisa Hitzfelder, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hitzfelder and baby, and Mrs. Frank Bohl were visitors in San Antonio Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Montague and children of San Antonio visited with relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Keller were San Antonio visitors Tuesday.

E. H. Seekatz from Mico was a LaCoste visitor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lamont visited in San Antonio Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Rihn visited in San Antonio Tuesday.

Fritz Weiblen of Castroville was a business visitor in LaCoste Monday.

W. N. Saathoff of Castroville was a LaCoste visitor Friday morning.

Messrs. George Echtle and B. J. Biediger were San Antonio visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Helena Keller and Mrs. J. C. Biediger visited in San Antonio Thursday.

Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Falkenberg of Castroville visited in LaCoste Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Sauer were business visitors in LaCoste Saturday.

Mrs. Emil Christilles and son, William Edward, visited with relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Paul Mechler from the Sauz was a LaCoste visitor Tuesday morning.

Adolph Mangold from Medina Lake was a LaCoste visitor Monday.

Emil Groff and son, Harvey, of Castroville were visitors in LaCoste Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. U. B. Kempf of Castroville visited in San Antonio Friday afternoon.

Messrs. Henry Gross and Edward Mechler of D'Hanis were LaCoste visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. R. D. Bippert and Miss Jo Santleben were San Antonio visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Biediger and children visited with Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hacker in San Antonio Sunday.

Misses Mildred Keller and Doris Bippert and W. B. Vincent visited with Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Barnhill and daughter in San Antonio Sunday.

Mrs. Theresa Obets and daughter, Miss Florence, were San Antonio visitors last Friday.

D. C. Brown, former Medina County Attorney, of San Antonio, was a LaCoste visitor Monday.

Mrs. Emil Mueller and children of San Antonio visited with Mrs. E. J. Keller and Mrs. Alfred Keller in LaCoste Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kempf Jr. of Macdonia are the proud parents of an eight pound baby girl born in a San Antonio hospital Sunday, December 4, 1939.

Misses Naomi and Elyn Steidle and Carl Steidle of Dunlay and Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Rihn and daughters of here visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Steidle at Boerne Sunday.

Leo Zinsmeyer, Mrs. Theresa Zinsmeyer, and Mrs. O. C. Reicherzer and daughters, Carolyn and Gail, visited with Mr. and Mrs. George Tondre and children at LaPray Monday.

Mrs. Theresa Zinsmeyer remained there for a few days' visit.

Mrs. O. R. Biediger of Ysleta, Texas, in a letter to the Ledger office this week, announces that an eight and one-half pound son was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. (Doug) Biediger on December 3rd, at Hotel Dieu in El Paso, Texas. He has been named Douglas Otto Biediger. His paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Otto R. Biediger and his maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Otto S. Biediger. He has two great grandmothers, Mrs. Mary Blatz of El Paso, and Mrs. Mary Brieden of San Antonio.

MRS. THOMAS HOOG HONORED

Mesdames Alfred Schmitt, James Haby, Jim Pollard, Frank Schmitt, Jessie Applewhite and Misses Catherine Schmitt and Mary Hoog were hostesses to a shower in the parish hall at Castroville Sunday, December 10, honoring Mrs. Zonie Taylor Hoog, a November bride.

The decorations and entire setting were suggestive of the Christmas spirit. Gorgeous poinsettias and varicolored autumn leaves were attractively arranged in baskets and tall vases.

Mrs. R. W. Gaines sang a collection of popular songs with Mrs. Albert Hoog at the piano.

Mrs. A. A. Christilles and Mrs. J. L. Mechler sang "Silent Night" while the stage curtain slowly raised disclosing an imposing arrangement of lovely gifts on moss bedecked tables, overshadowed by a Christmas tree adorned with multi-colored blinking lights.

The bride's book, a dainty creation of satin and lace with Christmas symbols hand-painted on its pages, and over which Miss Catherine Schmitt presided, further embodied the Yuletide spirit.

Luncheon consisting of chicken salad, potato chips, olives, saltines, cookies, coffee and mints was served to 60 guests.

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ARTHUR SCHULTE

DEVINE NEWSLETS

The Devine News.

YANCEY

Hunters were quite plentiful over the week-end, but not many deer have been killed.

Mr. John Rieden of San Antonio has been among the week-end hunters, but returned home without a deer.

Rev. Deckert and members of the Missionary Society motored to Uvalde one day last week, attending a zone meeting.

Fred Burgin and Mr. Beckman of Dickinson were here Wednesday of last week. They had been hunting in the hill country and were on their return home.

Charles Ward of Freer spent the week-end with homefolks.

Robert Wiemers of San Antonio made a call here Saturday. He was en route to Hondo.

Miss Elna Muennink spent several days in San Antonio with relatives and friends last week, and left for Freer where she accepted a position.

Mr. Fred Allen and Mr. Norman McNeil spent the week-end with homefolks at Campbellton and San Antonio respectively.

Mrs. Amanda Ward and son, Ray, of Freer and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Bohmtrik visited here during last week.

Mr. Philip Nixon and family spent Saturday in San Antonio.

Mrs. Luella Ward spent several days in San Antonio last week attending a W. P. A. school of instruction.

BIRY

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Burrell and children from George West spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Otto Burrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Armin Bendele Jr. and children spent Sunday in San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Oliver and daughter and Mrs. Amzie Godden spent a few days at Valley Wells with their brother, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Godden.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Bilhartz and baby of San Antonio spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Louise Bilhartz, and Ralph.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke B. Wier and son from Devine attended the P.T. A. Council Saturday afternoon, then visited friends.

Ralph Bader of Alice came over for his mother, as Ralph Jr. was a little ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Schmidt spent Sunday with their brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Eichhorn.

Henry Biry of D'Hanis spent Saturday with his father, Jacob Biry.

HONDO BOY IN DELTA SIGMA PI

Austin, Texas, Dec. 16.—Edmund Ney, University of Texas student from Hondo, became a member of Delta Sigma Pi, national professional business administration fraternity, Wednesday night, December 13.

A dinner at the Texas Federated Women's Club Building was given for the fifteen new members of the fraternity following the initiation ceremony.

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J. HENRY RIFF.

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SAN ANTONIO LIVESTOCK MARKET

Monday, December 18, 1939

HOGS: Estimated salable receipts 900, total 1,200. Market active, strong to 10c higher than late last week. Top and bulk of good and choice 160 to 300 lb. butchers \$5.69. Best 140 to 160 lbs. \$5.25 to \$5.30. Good packing sows \$4.25 to \$4.75. Pigs mostly \$3.75 down, few \$4.00.

CATTLE: Estimated salable and total receipts 1,000; CALVES, salable 2,600, total 2,650. Only moderate supply of cattle and calves on sale. Cows strong to 25c higher, spots up more. Most other classes active and fully steady with late last week.

Steers scarce. Most light weight short-fed yearlings \$8.00 to \$8.75, including two loads scaling 528 lbs. at \$8.50. Common and medium yearlings \$5.50 to \$7.50. Canner and cutter cows mostly \$3.25 to \$4.25, including 577 lbs. at \$3.50, and 794 lbs. at \$3.75, odd head of "shelly" kinds down to \$3.00 and below. Common and medium cows \$4.25 to \$5.00, including three loads at \$4.25. Good cows \$5.00 to \$5.50. Bulls mostly \$4.75 to \$5.50.

Good and choice killing calves mostly \$7.25 to \$8.00, including a rail load of 362 lb. Brahmas at \$7.40, some choice 466 lbs. at \$8.75. Common and medium kinds \$5.50 to \$7.00, culls down to \$4.00. Medium to good stocker calves mostly \$7.25 to \$9.00, choice steer calves to \$9.25, best heifers cut at \$8.25. Choice 296 lb. steer calves brought \$9.10, 279 lb. heifers out at \$8.10. Common stocker calves down around \$6.00. Stocker cows mostly \$4.50 to \$5.50, odd lots to \$6.00.

SHEEP: Estimated salable and total receipts 300. About steady. Few woolled feeder lambs \$6.00. Slaughter ewes \$2.75. Few mixed "Spanish" goats around \$2.75 down, few above.

WINTER GARDEN CLUB

Austin, Texas, Dec. 14.—The Winter Garden Club established last year on the campus of the University of Texas for the purpose of fostering closer relations among the students attending the University from the Winter Garden District has been reorganized with Malcolm Lamb of Asherton as president, Edwin Eardley of Carrizo Springs as vice-president, Dorothy Johnson of Carrizo Springs as secretary, Virginia Ritchie of Eagle Pass as treasurer, and Fredna Knaggs of Cotulla as corresponding secretary. The Club is again one of the outstanding organizations on the campus.

The Winter Garden Club is making plans for a dinner dance during the Christmas holidays in Piedras Negras, Mexico, at the Moderno night club. The date has been set for the night of December 28th. All residents of the Winter Garden District are invited.

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HENRY DECKER.

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ALLOCATION OF THE GASOLINE TAX

Austin, Texas, December 11.—Recent news articles show that the gasoline taxes collected by the State Comptroller in the fiscal year ended August 31, 1939, amounted to \$51,574,914.00, representing 1,289,372,862 gallons of gasoline taxed at 4c per gallon. This is a lot of money, and the average citizen wonders why, with all this money available, a particular road or bridge is not built by the Highway Department.

The average citizen probably does not realize that the Highway Department does not get all the gasoline tax money. The Available School Fund and the County and Road District Indebtedness Fund EACH receive the proceeds of 1c tax. The Highway Fund received the proceeds of 2c tax, all allocations being made after the cost of collection and refund claims amounting to 15.36% had been deducted from the total amount collected. The Highway Fund received 41.96% of the total, or \$21,708,416.15, which was used for construction and maintenance of the 22,345 miles of State highways now being maintained.

ANSWERS TO OUR PUZZLE CORNER

"M" objects: Mayor, moustache, monocle, money, milepost, material, music, man, monkey, mug, masonry, member.

Goofygraph: Short and long trouser legs; sleeve on coat; cane; woodpecker on leg of man; man with head above tree; flower growing from tree; one spot; different shoes; candy misspelled; street light.

Dots: Fish. "Diamond"—dam, Ina, Ida, am, dad, ad, man, an, and, in, Dan, din, dim, ma, on, Don, do, mad, aid, nod, aim, did, maid, no, ado, mind.

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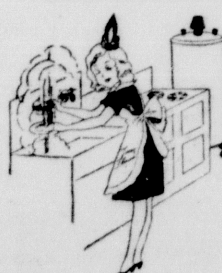
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HONDO, TEXAS, DEC. 22, 1939

WASHINGTON
SNAPSHOTS . . .
by
James Preston
The opinions here expressed are
those of this paper.—M. E.

THOSE BARRIERS AGAIN
The announcement by Secretary
Commerce Hopkins that steps are
being taken to deal with the alarm-
ing growth of state barriers in this
country brings an old eyecore to pub-
lic attention again. And it is well
that this problem is kept before the
public until something practical is
accomplished in the way of handling

State trade barriers generally take
the form of taxes that have to be
paid by out-of-state producers if
they want to sell their goods in the
state. Actually, they usurp the right
reserved by Congress, and by Con-
gress alone, to regulate interstate
commerce; but they do it by pervert-
ing certain rights possessed by the
states themselves, such as the right
to quarantine products that might be
harmful to the state's citizens.
Their effect is to invoke retaliatory
measures, and if the process is
permitted to its logical conclusion it
would mean that this nation would
have some 48 separate little "economic
countries", each depending on its
own materials and its own products.
The same type of economic think-
ing that results in state trade bar-
riers has been evident in Europe
since the Versailles Treaty, and
is not unreasonable to pin some of
the blame for the current war upon
trade barriers that nation erect-
ed against nation abroad. We do not,
in this or in other matters, want to
follow in Europe's faltering steps.
The states themselves should
be the lead in correcting these
barriers, and individual citizens every-
where ought to lend the weight of
their voices to demand that this be
done.

Washington is beginning to realize
that a growing proportion of the na-
tion looks to business and industry
rather than government paternalism
for leadership out of depression and
employment.
Hence Washington eyes opened to
the ears perked up to listen to
suggestions of suggestions made by
Congress of American Industry,
these recommendations of steps
to improve business came from sev-
eral thousands serious-minded man-
ufacturers.

Thankful that America has es-
caped war, these manufacturers this
year did not limit their big annual
convention to a simple discussion of
their own field. In-
stead, they looked at America, com-
pared it with the rest of the world
and asked, "What America
can do, and how it can
do it."
Freedom against dic-
tatorship and government-made life
freedom of opportunity, of reli-
gion, of speech, of the press. They
wanted to detail the contributions
of American industry, as an essential
part of a new system of privi-
leges made and can
be made a whole.
Washington planners
are reporting to the
public that more than half of
the nation's production of manu-
factured goods is made by the
"critical self-analysis
industry". Few, if any, other
group, including the planners, can
claim that record of self-analysis.

It is a wholesome sign when manu-
facturers undertake to study Ameri-
can fundamentals and determine
the contributions they can make to
a general betterment. But it is
a new thing for them. 150 years
ago, many of the delegates to the
constitutional convention were busi-
nessmen. And the lawyers who par-
ticipated realized that without busi-
ness there could be no nation.
The businessman's record goes
farther back than that. Ben-
jamin Franklin, a printer, made some
of the most important changes in and
contributions to the Declaration of In-
dependence even though Thomas
Jefferson is popularly credited with
authorship.

Knowing that background, it is nat-
ural that Washington should be
interested in some sugges-
tions made before and by the Con-
stitutional Convention.
The manufacturers were in no
way to join National Press Clubs
and wisecracks about how the Federal
Bureau of Investigation is being al-
phabetized now because there are no
more new government
agencies to which letters can be
addressed. The businessmen, think-
ing of the problem more serious than
of wisecracks, did hear advoca-
cy of "heading back toward govern-
ment solvency". In fact, it was sug-

gested that people should forget
something-for-nothing theories—
"governmental Santa Clauses".
It was said, too, that although in-
vestigation of the Labor Board and
amendment of the Wagner Act
would help, no law could force har-
monious relations between an em-
ployer and an employee any more
than a law could establish love and
respect within a family.
It was contended that labor should
clean its house of "sit-downs" and
"slow-downs" and accept responsi-
bilities which go with rights.
Growth of the philosophy that the
world, and particularly the govern-
ment, owes any man a living without
his having to work for it was de-
plored. After all, most of the manu-
facturers present got where they are
by working.

Warnings were sounded, too
against the growth of "bureaucratic
despotism". These were especially
timely in view of the fact that in
Europe and other parts of the world,
the welfare of the individual is suf-
fering in the expansion of bureau-
cracy.
Vigilance was called for to protect
the American system against the in-
roads of "isms", removal of taxes
which deter business expansion was
urged; closer cooperation between
industry-labor, was advocated.
Above all, the manufacturers
found that the American way of life,
and the good things that are avail-
able to individual citizens because of
the production of private enterprise
under the American system, are
worth defending, protecting, and ex-
panding. No real American can dis-
agree with that conclusion.

"NOBODY'S BUSINESS"
By
Julian Capers, Jr.
The opinions here expressed are
the author's own and not necessarily
those of this paper.—M. E.

AUSTIN, Dec. 16.—The Legisla-
ture's definition of an "open saloon",
under which the State Liquor Con-
trol board issues licenses to "beer
joints" throughout the State, is le-
gally valid, Attorney General Gerald
Mann ruled, in answer to a request
from Dr. J. A. Eradfield, veteran
prohibition campaigner, and now
chairman of the Liquor board. Dr.
Eradfield questioned the legality of
the definition enacted by the Legis-
lature, but Mann advised him the
courts will not invalidate a criminal
law—no matter what they may think
of its wisdom—so long as it does not
contravene Constitutional provisions,
and is clear and explicit in its verbi-
age. The licensing law meets the
test, Mann held.

Culberson Opposes Smith
Olin Culberson, veteran director
of the Railroad Commission's Gas
Utilities division, until he was ousted
by Lon Smith and Jerry Sadler
recently, will announce his candi-
dacy as Railroad Commissioner soon
after January 1, according to his
close friends. During his years of
service with the Commission, Cul-
berson was a thorn in the side of
some gas utility companies, doing
much of the detail work upon which
the case of the Commission against
the Lone Star, in the famous gate
rate case pending for the past six
years before various courts, was
based. He also worked out com-
promise settlements which effected gas
rate reductions without lawsuits for
dozens of Texas cities served by
some other gas companies. Culberson
was once County Judge of Hill Coun-
ty, and made an unsuccessful race
for Railroad Commissioner once be-
fore, when he ran against Ernest
Thompson after the latter had been
appointed to serve out an unexpired
term. Culberson is generally regard-
ed as an extremely able lawyer, and
a leading authority on utility rate
regulatory procedure. He may give
Lon Smith a real race, many observ-
ers here think.

Oil and Industrialization
All this talk of industrializing
Texas which has sprung up since
Gov. W. Lee O'Daniel started it last
summer has directed attention to the
very substantial contribution toward
industrializing Texas which the oil
industry has made. This year, 80
percent of the crude produced in
Texas was processed in the State's
153 oil refineries, which employ 25,
000 Texans working shorter hours
and at a higher wage scale than any
other Texas industry, and above the
general U. S. average for all indus-
try. In contrast, Texas processes only
3 percent of its cotton, and not a
pound of its gigantic wool and moh-
air crops, which exceed those of
any other State.

New Economic Theory
Students of taxation in Texas,
who heard Dr. Clarence Ayres, pro-
fessor of economics at University of
Texas speak on taxation before the
Dallas Open Forum last week, listen-
ed to some economic theorizing that
seems somewhat to the left even of
the New Deal. Dr. Ayres lauded the
state income tax as the paragon of
all levies, and opposed the sales tax.
He asserted the belief that the capi-
talistic system under which this
country has operated for 150 years
is passe, and declared "we shall never
solve our economic problem so
long as we continue our allegiance
to the outward belief that the pri-
mary object of our industrial system
is to accumulate capital for invest-
ment, in the face of 110 years of
collapse.

He advocated taxation, not as a
method of raising necessary revenue
to carry on needed functions of gov-
ernment, in the American constitu-
tional tradition, but "as an instru-
ment for breaking up and redistrib-
uting large accumulations of capi-
tal, to restore purchasing power."
"I teach my classes that the gov-
ernment is entitled to take from in-
comes whatever percentage it re-
quires to perform the service it ren-
ders to its citizens", he said. "Up to
100 percent."

ABOUT PEOPLE
YOU KNOW
The Uvalde Leader-News
Coach Green's All-District Team
Coach Green has made his selec-
tion of the 1939 All-District team
from District 37-A. This team is
composed of the outstanding players
and is chosen by the coaches. Each
coach submits a list of his squad
members with their names, numbers
and weights to the other coaches in
the district. From these lists the
coach makes his selection. Mr.
Green's choice is by no means the
final selection, but is only his per-
sonal idea of the boys who he thinks
deserve the honor.
His selection is as follows:

FIRST TEAM
Hartung, Hondo L.E.
M. Stool, Del Rio L.T.
H. Finger, Hondo L.G.
Jackson, Uvalde C.
Jennings, Hondo R.G.
M. Moehring, Hondo R.T.
M. Herbst, Del Rio R.E.
McNutt, Del Rio Q.B.
C. Finger, Hondo L.H.
Mullins, Carrizo Springs R.H.
Moses, Pearsall F.B.
SECOND TEAM
Galloway, Pearsall L.E.
Thompson, Uvalde L.T.
Reeves, Cotulla L.G.
Sutton, Pearsall C.
Sprangler, Uvalde R.G.
Didcar, Crystal City R.T.
Holloway, Hondo R.E.
Irvin, Uvalde Q.B.
Clark, Uvalde L.H.
Leinweber, Hondo R.H.
Arfman, Del Rio F.B.

MOST OUTSTANDING PLAYERS
IN THE DISTRICT
Mullins, Carrizo Springs
C. Finger, Hondo
Jennings, Hondo
Moses, Pearsall
Jackson, Uvalde
McNutt, Del Rio

TRIO ITEMS
Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Richarz and
Oscar, Jr., and Miss Jo Nell attended
the Hondo-Victoria ball game in
Hondo Friday night. Miss Jo Nell is
a member of the Sabinal band which
played there at that time.

PAIR ESCAPE AFTER ATTACK
ON RANCH
Two men who attacked Mr. and
Mrs. Paul Collins on the Holman
ranch near Freely, between Del
Rio and Comstock, late last Friday
apparently made their escape into
Mexico, authorities have announced.
The attack was reported to have
occurred when Collins and his wife,
returning from range riding, found
two strange Mexicans at the ranch
and invited them to have supper.

Mrs. Collins is the daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Jim Forth, former residents
of Uvalde. Mr. and Mrs. Forth and
daughter, Nell, and Mr. and Mrs.
Sterling Forth and little daughter,
all of LaCoste, were in Uvalde last
Sunday en route to visit their daugh-
ter. Reaching here and learning that
Mr. and Mrs. Collins were improving
from their wounds, the Forths re-
turned to LaCoste Sunday night.

CASE WORKERS OF 10 COUNTIES
IN MEETING AT UVALDE.
Policies and plans of procedure
which are to be followed by the var-
ious relief and welfare agencies re-
cently combined under the State De-
partment of Public Welfare, were
discussed at a meeting held here last
Friday at which representatives from
ten of the eleven counties in this
district were present.

The session was conducted by
James Deaver, area supervisor, to
acquaint the workers with the new
program. Attending the session, and
the counties they represented, were:
Uvalde, Mrs. J. D. Barfield and Mrs.
Anna Hoover Daly; Medina, Mrs.
Emma Stone, Mrs. Margaret Murrill
and Mrs. Mary Sims; Frio, Miss
Elizabeth Rogers and Miss Iris Cul-
pepper; Gillespie, Miss Johanna Lud-
wig and R. Bernhard; Kerr, Mrs.
Pearl Graves; Bandera, Miss Susie
A. Davis; Kendall, Capt. D. K. Lan-
sing; Real, Miss Virginia Buchanan,
Mrs. Abbie Adair; Edwards, Mrs.
Marie Clark; Val Verde, Seth Galla-
way.

The Bandera New Era.
Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Weeber and
son of Dubuque, Iowa, and Rev. C.
Weeber of Quiri visited Frontier
Times Museum Sunday.

TARPLEY
Mrs. Hubert Burger spent several
days with her daughter, Mrs. Rolph
Saathoff, at Hondo last week. Mrs.
Saathoff underwent an operation for
appendicitis at the Medina Hospital
Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Erfurt made
a business trip to D'Hanis Wednes-
day.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Marquis were
Hondo visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ryle were
shopping in Hondo Thursday.

Helen Geuea of Bandera is visiting
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F.
Geuea.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Rambie visited
at Pipe Creek Sunday.

Mrs. Blanche Hall and Betty Jean
Coffey of Hondo visited in the Coffey
home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ulbrich made
a trip to Utopia Monday.

Mrs. Harley Eckhart visited Mrs.
Jim Glass Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Estes were
shopping in Hondo Saturday.



THE
RAYE
PRESENTS
"WALL STREET COWBOY"—
Friday and Saturday, with a cast
headed by Roy Rogers and including
George "Gabby" Hayes, Raymond
Hatton, Ann Baldwin, Pierre Wat-
kin and Craig Reynolds. The yarn
divides between the prairie country
and New York's financial district
where a battle of wits for control of
a ranch goes on.

"THUNDER AFLOAT"—Sunday
and Monday, lusty and salty saga of
the men who went down to the sea
to man the splinter fleet which pro-
tected America's shores from the
harassment of German U-boats in
1918. The cast includes Wallace
Beery, Chester Morris, Virginia
Grey, Douglas Dumbrille, Carl Es-
mond, Clem Bevans and Regis
Toomey.

"FAST AND FURIOUS"—Tues-
day, Wednesday and Thursday, a
blend of chills and chuckles. Fran-
chot Tone and Ann Sothern form a
pleasing combination in the leads as
the now familiar young married
couple with sleuthing as an extra-
curricular hobby. Tone, a dealer in
rare books, lends his friend, Lee
Bowman, enough money to buy his
way into the promotion of a beauty
contest. Bowman's partner, John
Miljan, a decidedly shady character,
is killed and Bowman arrested on
suspicion. To save his friend and,
incidentally, protect his investment,
Tone steps in, becomes involved in
another murder and nearly loses his
life before unmasking the killer.

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The Hondo Home Demonstration
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party at the home of Mrs. Oscar
Baton, December 13, at 2 P. M. Ten
members and four guests were pres-
ent.
The afternoon was spent in mak-
ing ornaments, from practically
nothing such as tin cans and lids, for
the Christmas tree in the railroad
park. These ornaments looked very
attractive.
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changed and refreshments of coffee
chocolate and cookies were served.
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LOCAL, PERSONAL AND BUSINESS ITEMS FROM THIS BUSY BURG

ISABELL KARM, LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE

News and advertising copy for this column for the week's issue should be submitted to Miss Karm or mailed direct to us at Hondo not later than Tuesday night of each week. Miss Karm is authorized to collect and receipt for this business for this paper.

CASTROVILLE, TEXAS, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1939

Stop at the Blue Bonnet Cafe at Castroville, Texas, for good Eats, Beer and Home-made Ice Cream and Bread. Courteous Service. Patronize a home industry and help your home town. Bread for sale at all stores in Castroville.

CHRISTMAS DANCE AT WERNETTE'S GARDEN, CASTROVILLE, MONDAY NIGHT, DEC. 25. MUSIC BY BUDDY HANCOCK. ADMISSION: GENTLEMEN, 35c; LADIES, 15c. EVERYBODY WELCOME.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Tschirhart and daughter, Darlene, spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Boyie at Bandera. Mr. G. Letcher, who had been on an extended visit in Bandera, accompanied them home.

Mesdames Martin Zimmermann of San Antonio and Alice Bertriver of Pando visited Mrs. Josephine Naegelin Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Brieden are the proud parents of a fine nine pound baby boy, born Monday, Dec. 18, 1939, at the Medina Hospital in Hondo.

Mrs. Alvina Brieden and R. J. Brieden and daughter, Patricia Ann, were visitors of Mrs. R. J. Brieden at Medina Hospital Tuesday afternoon.

Mesdames Fred Jagge, J. J. Jagge and children, Stanley and Ethel, and Kenneth Hans were San Antonio visitors Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rippes of San Antonio spent Saturday evening as guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Halbardier.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mangold of LaCoste visited Joe Tschirhart, Sr., at the home of Mrs. A. H. Tondre and also visited their daughter, Mrs. Reinhard Geiger, and daughter.

"Lifton" Miltzie Schott will arrive home this week from St. John's Seminary, San Antonio, to be the holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Schott, and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. George Muenink of Hondo visited relatives here Sunday.

Messrs. Harry Hans and J. J. Jagge were San Antonio business visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Moehring of San Antonio were Sunday guests of his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Moehring, at Bader Settlement.

Miss Gladys Tondre of San Antonio was the week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Tondre, and children.

Mrs. E. J. Blackman and daughter, Eva Ann, of Temple are the pre-Christmas guests of her father, Eugene Mangold, and her aunt, Miss E. Hughes.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Little Miss Jacqueline Ann Hans was honored on her sixth birthday with a party, Thursday evening, December 14th.

Punch, muffins, cookies and snacks were served by the honoree's mother, Mrs. Harry Hans, and Mesdames Louis Schott, August Schott, J. J. Alvina Brieden and R. J. Brieden. Plate favors were Santa Claus candy suckers.

Games were played by the little guests present for the occasion, Dorothy and Paula Ray Faust, Gladys Karm, Dorothy and Ima Jean Tschirhart, Dorothy Burrell, Patsy Ann Brieden, and Arliss Schott.

COMPLIMENTS SON

Mrs. Harry Hans complimented her son, Kenneth, with a party on his sixteenth birthday anniversary Saturday night, December 16, from 7:30 to 11:30 at Wernette's Garden. Numerous games were played throughout the evening and prizes awarded to the following for winning in the particular game: Basil Karm in "Simon Says Thumbs Up", Ima Marie Burrell in the girls' "Cracker Eating" contest; Horace Calger in the boys' "Cracker Eating" contest, and Mr. Albert Vance in the guessing game.

The refreshment table in the hall was laid with a white cloth and centered with a beautiful white birthday cake embossed with tiny pink flowers and topped with the words, "Happy Birthday", in blue.

Colorful poinsettias and variegated autumn leaves, tastefully arranged, decorated the table at either end. The guests were presented with novel plate favors in the form of cellophane cones, in green, filled with mints, and tied with red cellophane ribbon.

Before midnight a tasty supper of minced ham salad, potato chips, pimiento cheese sandwiches, crackers, cookies, and coffee, was served. There were forty guests.

ZION'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Sunday, December 24, 1939.
9:00 A. M. Sunday School and Bible classes.

Monday, Dec. 25, 1939.
10:00 A. M. English Christmas service and holy communion.

Monday, Dec. 25, 1939.
10:00 A. M. German Christmas service and holy communion. Please announce for communion in advance.

On Thursday, Dec. 28, the Castroville Luther League will have a social evening in the Fuos building, beginning at 7:30 P. M. Leaguers, please attend.

A cordial invitation is extended to one and all to worship with us during the Christmas holiday season. The Pastor wishes his dear members and kind friends a very merry,

merry Christmas. May the Star in the East shine into your heart and life in his sincere wish.

The Church with a welcome.
A. H. FALKENBERG,
Pastor.

DID YOU KNOW—

That Miss Laura Mae Schott, an attractive brunette, is a daily crossword puzzle enthusiast? "Lolly" has a book of puzzles which she has collected for sometime, so if in doubt when in the midst of solving a "brain-killer" implore her assistance.

Practically every day of the week out-of-state tourists can be found photographing Judge Anton F. Haller's place of Court. The unique wording above the door is unusual and has won the distinction of being the most photographed place in town.

CASTROVILLE-LACOSTE AID RED CROSS

Rev. A. H. Falkenberg of Castroville, who was chairman of the National Red Cross membership drive in Castroville and LaCoste, handed this paper a list of those in his district who were generous in their response to the annual appeal for aid.

Castroville: Ruth C. Lawler, Albert R. Vance, Howard A. Poth, Alberta Besch, Eleanor Mae Lindstrom, Ruth Woods, L. M. Tondre & Sons, Schott Brothers, Chas. Suehs, Sr., W. N. Saathoff, Louis Fuos, Dr. J. D. Williamson, Rev. A. H. Falkenberg, Louis Schott, Bernard FitzSimon, O. M. Naegelin, Arnold Wurzbach, Very Rev. Dean J. Lenzon, Major B. J. Reilly, Ed. A. Tschirhart & Son, J. T. Lawler, C. S. Anderson and F. P. Seekatz.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MEDINA.
TO THE SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE OF MEDINA COUNTY—
GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon Mrs. Minerva Y. Miller, or the unknown heirs of the said Mrs. Minerva Y. Miller, or all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described land delinquent to the State of Texas, County of Medina and D'Hanis Independent School District, for taxes, to-wit: Lot No. Six, in Block No. Five, in the Town of D'Hanis, in Medina County, Texas, which said land is delinquent for taxes for the following amounts, \$3.54 for State taxes, \$5.02 for County taxes, and \$1.13 for D'Hanis Independent School District taxes, and you are hereby notified that suit has been brought by the State for the collection of said taxes, and you are commanded to appear and defend said suit at the January term of the District Court of Medina County, State of Texas, in cause No. 3666 and show cause why judgment shall not be rendered condemning said lot and ordering sale and foreclosure thereof for said taxes and costs of suit. Further, you are commanded to summon the above mentioned persons by making publication of this citation once in each week for three consecutive weeks previous to the return hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if there be no newspaper published in your county you shall have this published in a paper in an adjoining county, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Medina County, to be held at the court house thereof in Hondo, on the 3rd Monday in January, 1940, the same being the 15th day of January, A. D., 1940.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in the Town of Hondo, this 14th day of December, A. D. 1939.

EMIL BRITSCH,

Clerk of District Court of Medina County, Texas.

By GENEVIEVE BRUCKS,

Deputy.

Issued this 14th day of December, A. D. 1939.

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CEMETERY MEETING

A meeting of all subscribers to the Capital Stock and of all Owners of Lots in the Hondo Public Cemetery is called to meet at the court-house, Hondo, Texas, on Saturday afternoon, January 6th, 1940, at 2 o'clock P. M. You are requested to attend.

By order of the Board of Directors.

H. E. HAASS,

President.

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SILK STOCKINGS

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thought the salesman but he did not put his thoughts into words. He noted that her pretty waved hair had a silky sheen like his autumn tone hose and she noticed how clean-cut he looked in his neat gray suit and white flecked blue tie. He also noted her name on the order and she noticed his name on the business card he presented.

His lean brown hands touched hers as she returned the sample stocking, and she began to wonder if she hadn't made a mistake in asking him in. All salesmen were fresh. There was something in the wisecracks that she had heard about them. Of course, it was Christmastime and people acted differently than usual and she certainly also felt an overpowering impulse to be flirtatious.

"It was good of you to ask me in. But then you are a saleswoman yourself and know that the mildest of agents are often treated as enemies. I'll have this order here in time for Christmas. I will deliver it personally."

He was about to bow himself out beaming broadly when Mrs. Trent said, "Oh, won't you stay for a bite. We were just going to have dessert and I know a nice piece of pie and a cup of hot coffee is good for any house-to-house salesman." The children gaped at their mother. They did not approve of the way she smiled at the stocking man.

"Well, if it's no trouble," he said, turning a lean cheek to their mother. "That's about the last order for the day anyway, Ma'am or, Mrs. Trent. You are very kind. Every day I dream of meeting someone like you, but I have been knocking doors for the past three years and have never had an invitation that I welcomed as much as yours. Now don't think that I'm getting fresh, but..."

Naida Trent laughed and interrupted his speech. "Christmas puts us all in confiding moods. Maybe for the last nine years I have been really waiting for some of your Bestsilk hose."

Sonny thought that this strange man was getting too chummy with his mother so he came and stood by her side while Cherie placed another dessert plate and cup and saucer on the table.

Four days of course isn't a very long time to wait for the delivery of an order, but Naida was impatient. When she was at home she wandered around with a waiting-for-something kind of look on her face and every evening when she came home she inquired for her package before she even took off her hat. Then when Uncle Sam delivered the hose C. O. D. her enthusiasm about the silk stockings lagged. Something seemed obviously wrong and it was not the order.

"What's wrong with the goods, Mother," asked Cherie anxiously. "You don't seem a bit pleased."

Mother opened her mouth to reply, but before she could speak Sonny piped out, "Maybe Mom wanted the silk hosiery man as well as the silk hose."

Naida Trent laughed at this remark, but there was a tremor in her voice when she said, "You know one man is enough for me," and she tried to look very sweet and girly. Inwardly she reproached herself for getting too familiar with a door-pusher. He probably had the same line for every prospect.

"Those are lovely stockings, Mother," Cherie, who had opened the box and was admiring their pique toes. "They're sweet enough for a bride."

Mrs. Trent turned red at this crazy remark. "Then I'll have to save them for you darling," she said as she sank back in the chair and her longish eyelids drooped like two baby fans.

Cherie approached. "You know you are a lovely little mother and it's a wonder that you haven't been natched away from Sonny and me, and you would have if we hadn't protected you."

Naida Trent opened her eyes wide. I must have been hiding when the hunters came around. That's the reason."

"No, it isn't. Sonny's the reason." "What do you mean, Cherie?" "I mean that Sonny's got the letter that the stocking man wrote to you. He's protecting you so that you won't have to hide because he won't come after you."

The blood rushed dizzily to Mrs. Trent's head. Something burned thru her like a flame. "What do you mean, Cherie?" she asked, tortured by her emotions.

"Oh, Mother, I just mean that the stocking man came with a note and Sonny's holding it over till after Christmas because he doesn't want anyone else to share you. He's out in the yard now. I'll get him for you."

Too late! It was a very apologetic and penitent Sonny who confessed to his mother that he had lost the note from the back pocket of his pants when he was climbing the fence and the little pup next door had torn it all up before he had discovered his loss. No, there was not even a little piece left for he had looked all around and he didn't know what the salesman had written. Just a "Thank you" note probably, because a salesman couldn't have anything else to say to his mother.

"You were a silly egg, Sonny. Mother doesn't look happy any more."

"Aw, shucks. It's just the slump after the holidays. All salespeople get like that. That's why I wouldn't be one. A banker has a better time. Everyday's payday at the bank."

A change had come over his mother. Her birdlike brightness had disappeared, altho she was still gentle and loving and kind. A startled look would come into her face when the bell rang. Then she would kind of

shriveled up.

"She's been like that ever since you lost her letter," Cherie told her brother.

"Huh!" a contemptuous exclamation escaped the boy. "If she wanted to see him that bad she knows where he works."

"You know mother would never, never run after any man. It's up to you to get the salesman out here for another order."

"What do you mean, Sis?" questioned Sonny, who did not take kindly to the plan.

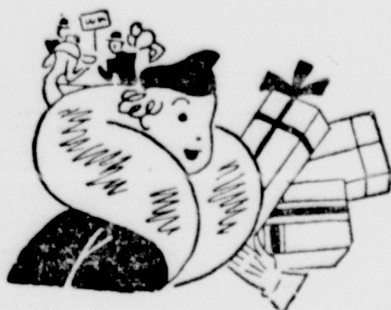
"Tomorrow's Saturday, and I mean that you should go 'round to the office and say that Mom wants Mr. Gerald Albury to call in the afternoon for another order of silk stockings."

"So you think your mother's worrying about getting another pair of silk hose, young man?" "Yes, Sir. She likes your kind of hosiery. She hasn't been happy with only the one pair."

"Good! That makes things very simple. I'll call this afternoon with the latest in chiffon hose."

For a long second Sonny stared at Mr. Albury, too grateful to speak. "Oh, thank you," he said at last, "and... be sure to deliver them yourself."

THE END.



ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FARMERS

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and flood stricken areas of the country. Depending upon the circumstances in individual cases, loans may be made for various farming and living expenses by three of these agencies, namely, the Farm Security Administration, the Farm Credit Administration, and the Disaster Loan Corporation. Loans of the latter agency will be made only in areas affected by floods. Direct relief in the form of emergency grants will continue to be extended by the Farm Security Administration, within the limitation of funds available, to needy farm families who cannot obtain necessary human subsistence goods from any other source. None of the other three agencies, however, is able to extend direct financial assistance in this form, and even the Farm Security Administration must restrict such aid to cases of extreme need. The Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation will cooperate in this joint program by increasing its shipments of surplus foodstuffs to drought and flood states for distribution through the public welfare department of those states to supplement other forms of aid.

Information regarding the proper offices to which individual applications for assistance may be submitted in connection with the various programs mentioned may be obtained from the county offices of the Farm Security Administration or the local emergency crop and feed loan offices of the Farm Credit Administration or by getting in touch with the County Agricultural Agents. Distressed farmers in Medina County will find Mr. Tom Johnson, County Rehabilitation Supervisor, at Hondo, Texas, glad to offer all assistance possible. Likewise, Mr. Ned Gossett, County Rehabilitation Supervisor, at Jourdanton, Texas, is in charge of Frio County.

Your interest is appreciated.

Sincerely,

M. L. WILSON,

Acting Secretary.

The Commissioners' Court spent considerable time and effort to obtain relief of a more direct nature and had the cooperation of the County Rehabilitation Supervisor, Mr. Tom Johnson, at Hondo to assist in this matter but we were not able to change the plans of our Washington authorities. The court hopes that the needy farmers and others will avail themselves of this opportunity as set out in the above correspondence and stands ready to assist any citizen in real need to secure such aid.

MEDINA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT,
By: ARTHUR H. ROTHE,
County Judge.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

THE STATE OF TEXAS,
County of Medina.
TO THOSE INDEBTED TO OR HOLDING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF BLANCH LYON, DECEASED:

The undersigned, being the duly-appointed Administrator of the Estate of Blanch Lyon, Deceased, late of Medina County, Texas, by the Judge of the County Court of said County on the 10th day of November, A. D. 1939, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said Estate to come forward and make settlement and those having claims against said Estate to present them to him, within the time prescribed by law, at his residence in Hondo, Medina County, Texas, where he receives his mail.

EXECUTED this 15th day of December, A. D. 1939.

R. J. NOONAN,

Administrator, Estate of Blanch Lyon, Deceased.

Get the habit of making your purchases by the advertisements in this paper. Tell your merchant the paper should carry his trade announcements for the convenience of his patrons. In this way all will be better served and all will profit.

D'Hanis Doings

A round-up of Local, Personal and Business Items gathered weekly by our regular Correspondent

Miss Josie Rothe

to whom all items intended for this column should be handed not later than Wednesday noon of each week. Miss Rothe is authorized to collect and receipt for money due this paper.

D'HANIS, TEXAS, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1939

Mrs. Theresa Wolff was honored by her daughters with a surprise birthday party at her home on Monday afternoon, December 11. Rook and other games were enjoyed by those present. One of the gifts was a birthday cake with 68 candles. Out-of-town guests were Mesdames Edwin Wolff, Hubert Wolff, Ludwig, Brignac, and Miss Alice Wolff.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Koch and baby daughter, Theresa, of Odessa are guests of Mrs. P. M. Koch.

Mrs. Alfred Zinsmeyer and daughter, Grace, spent the week-end in Tuleta with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Taylor.

Mr. Al Campbell of Del Rio visited friends here Saturday afternoon.

Miss Ruth Strawn of San Antonio is the guest of her parents.

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The members of the D'Hanis Chapter of Future Farmers of America

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Hondo, Texas,
December 15th, 1939.

To the Creditors of the firm of I. H. King & Sons, composed of I. H. King, V. P. King and H. F. King:

Notice is hereby given that on the 20th day of June A. D. 1939, the undersigned R. J. Noonan was appointed Receiver of all property belonging to said firm of I. H. King & Sons, composed of the members above named, by the District Court of Medina County, Texas, in Cause No. 3635, styled C. J. Monkhouse, Administrator of the Estate of I. H. King, deceased, vs. H. F. King et al, and in the order of court appointing the undersigned as receiver, as aforesaid, there is the following provision to-wit:

"It is further ordered by the court that said Receiver have all creditors of said partnership firm of I. H. King & Sons, to make and present in proper form their claims against said firm; and that said Receiver make due report of such claims to this court for proper action thereon; and all creditors, as aforesaid, are hereby required and directed to present and file with said receiver their claims against said firm."

In accordance with said order of court, you are hereby notified to make and present in proper form your claims, if any, against said firm of I. H. King & Sons, to the undersigned receiver on or before the first day of the next term of said District Court which convenes on the 15th day of January A. D. 1940. My

ica were honored by their advent Mr. M. E. Keath, and Mrs. Keath their home last Thursday evening 8 o'clock. The party followed an initiation meeting, which was held at the High School. The Keath home was beautifully decorated, with autumn leaves and pine cones supplementing the lovely Christmas tree. Minna Jane Nester and Buddy Nester received prizes for high tallies in buncos, while Stella Nester and Charles Saathoff won booby prizes. The adult guests enjoyed several games of bridge. Refreshments consisting of sandwiches, assorted cookies, and fruit punch were served. The guest list included the honorees, the high school girls, the school faculty, Mrs. Horace Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Riley. There were thirty-four guests present.

DANCE IN HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM CHRISTMAS NIGHT DEC. 25. MODERN MUSIC GEN. TLEMAN 75c, LADIES FREE.

P. O. Address is Hondo, Texas. R. J. NOONAN, Receiver.



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